

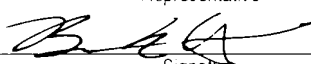


IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No.: 10/081,699
U.S. Application of: Mitsutoshi NAKAMURA
For: IMAGE FORMING METHOD
Confirmation No.: 1268
Customer No.: 24367
Docket No.: 15162/04300
Filed: February 22, 2002
Group Art Unit: 2871
Examiner: Jeanne A. Di Grazio

Commissioner for Patents
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AMENDMENT

This Amendment is filed in response to the Office Action dated April 22, 2003 which provides for a response period ending July 22, 2003.

A Petition for Extension of Time, to extend the response period for the Office Action, for one additional month to August 22, 2003, is being filed concurrently.

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Amendment dated August 20, 2003
Reply to Office Action of April 22, 2003

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows: